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of

THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

FIRST ASSEMBLY.

SIXTH SESSION.

Monday, the 22nd July 1935/6th Karkatakam 1110.

The Assembly met again in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven of the clock with the President in the chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

English Middle School at Nedumangad.

21. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the English Middle School at Nedumangad was started;

(*b*) whether the public also have rendered help in the starting of the school;

(*c*) since the starting of the school, how many students have left the school after passing the III Form examination there;

(*d*) whether all the students who have gone out of the school after passing the III Form examination have prosecuted their higher studies; and

(*e*) whether they are aware that the parents show unwillingness to send up their children for English education due to the school not being raised into a High School?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) On 10-10-1096.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) 183.

(*d*) Almost all the pupils who passed Form III took transfer certificates to join Form IV.

(*e*) No.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): With reference to the answer to part (*d*), may I know from the Government whether those pupils who have gone out of the school have continued higher studies or discontinued?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): It is presumed that almost all the pupils have gone for higher studies.

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MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): With reference to part (*c*), may I know whether the strength has been on the increase or on the decline?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): It has been varying from year to year.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether, from the year 1109 onwards, the number has been on the increase or decline?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): This cannot be stated definitely. The average strength of the III Form during the last two or three years is 30.

Forest Reserves in Nedumangad Taluk.

22. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many times the Conservator of Forests has inspected the Reserve Forests in Nedumangad taluk from 1103 to 1110 M. E.;

(*b*) whether the Government are aware of the illicit felling of trees from Chekonam Reserve in Nedumangad taluk

(*c*) what action the Conservator has taken regarding it; and

(*d*) how many trees were removed by the Conservator of Forests in his construction of an anicut inside the Reserve Forest?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The reserves in Nedumangad taluk were inspected as often as possible and it is not possible to say definitely the number of times they were inspected.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) He has punished the delinquent subordinates of the department who failed in their duty to protect the reserves

(*d*) No trees were removed.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the Government whether the Conservator of Forests goes on his inspection tours as a result of a set programme?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes; he has got a programme for his tours.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from Government whether for his inspection tours he draws T. A.?

MR. T. C THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Of course, he does.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Then may I know from the Government why it is said in the answer that it is not possible to say definitely the number of times he has inspected the reserves in the Nedumangad taluk?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): It is quite possible to collect the information but it is a very laborious task.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether Government has given a reply like this simply because the Conservator was not conducting the inspection tour or was irregular in his inspection?

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